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TOWN OFFICERS, 1889.

CLERK.

JAMES M. THOMPSON.

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS, AND OVERSEERS OF POOR.

JOHN W. TRUE, JAMES M. THOMPSON,
TRUE M. MERRILL.

TREASURER.

BENJAMIN W. MERRILL.

SUPERVISOR OF SCHOOLS.

JOSEPH S. TRUE.

COLLECTOR AND CONSTABLE.

BENJAMIN W. MERRILL.

ANNUAL REPORTS.

The Annual Reports of the Town Officers of New Gloucester, for the year ending March 10, 1890, are herewith submitted:

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

VALUATION.

Total valuation for the year 1889, $861,346 00

Number of polls, 303. Poll tax, $2.50. Rate of taxation, .0135 on $1.00.

ASSESSMENTS.

For State tax,	$2,258 10	
County tax,	874 77	
		$3,132 87
For support of schools,	$2,000 00	
Contingent expenses,	1,325 00	
Care of roads and bridges,	2,400 00	
To pay town note,	1,000 00	
For interest on outstanding notes and orders,	260 00	
Repair of school-houses,	200 00	
Repair of cemeteries,	50 00	
School books,	750 00	
To raise the highway on the Penney Road,	300 00	
For Public Library,	161 00	
Memorial Day,	50 00	
To paint Town House,	150 00	
Purchase land for enlargement of cemetery at Upper Gloucester,	90 00	
Fence the cemetery lot at Upper Gloucester,	200 00	
Amount of overlay,	316 80	
		$9,252 80
Total amount committed to collector,		$12,385 67

RECEIPTS.

The receipts of the Town, from February 26, 1889, to February 27, 1890, have been as follows:

Received of W. G. Frank, for lot in the cemetery at Upper Gloucester,	$10 00
Town of Scarboro, pauper expenses of Elizabeth Dodd,	59 50
City of Portland, pauper expenses of David Verrill,	10 50
Town of Poland, school money for the year 1885,	21 12
For liquor casks,	1 00
State school fund and mill tax for the year 1888,	694 53
Railroad and telegraph tax for the year 1888,	448 31
From the Stevens School, for the benefit of town library,	5 00
European and North American Railroad tax, for the years 1884, 1885, and 1886,	103 35
Town of Poland, pauper expenses,	62 00
Harrison Edwards, peddler license,	6 00
O. L. Merrill, of Gray, peddler license,	6 00
J. H. Jones, money loaned the town,	1,200 00
Horatio Sawyer, of Gray, peddler license,	6 00
Joseph Strout, for lot in cemetery,	6 00
B. W. Merrill, guardian for Thos. J. Brackett,	141 00
C. N. Fogg, Treasurer of school fund,	316 98
Town of Starks, pauper expenses of Charlotte Hurd,	21 00
B. W. Merrill, Treasurer for 1888,	240 45
New Gloucester Grange, for settees,	20 00

Received Railroad and telegraph tax for 1889,	$514 46	
State aid for the year 1889,	84 00	
For use of Town Hall,	7 50	
Of Dennis Edwards,	155 92	
Of S. F. Hilton, for use of hearse,	2 00	
For liquor casks,	1 00	
Of B. W .Merrill, Collector to balance account for the year 1888,	1,646 29	
Of B. W. Merrill, Collector for 1889,	4,500 00	
State bounty for crows,	4 20	
C. E. Libby, for land sold,	20 00	
F. W. Winter, for timber on cemetery lot, Upper Gloucester,	60 00	
		$10,374 11

EXPENDITURES.

The amounts paid from the treasury for the year ending February 27, 1890, have been as follows:

TOWN OFFICERS' BILLS FOR 1888.

Paid J. W. True, selectman, assessor, etc.,	$78 75	
J. M. Thompson, selectman, assessor, etc.,	72 00	
G. W. Plummer, selectman, assessor, etc.,	54 00	
Mrs. J. M. Sturgis, supervisor of schools,	95 00	
B. W. Merrill, collector,	170 96	
G. W. Plummer, moderator,	2 25	
J. M. Thompson, town clerk,	10 00	
C. N. Fogg, services for trustees of school fund,	13 00	
M. C. Clark, member of Board of Health,	1 50	
B. W. Merrill, for services as constable,	11 79	
L. C. Curtis, truant officer,	1 00	
		$510 25

SCHOOLS.

Dr.

Paid for support of schools as per bills approved by supervisor,	$2,598 83	
Unexpended balance,	1,046 66	
		$3,645 49

Cr.

By unexpended balance Feb. 26, 1889,	$612 86	
Town appropriation,	2,000 00	
State school fund and mill tax, due January 1, 1889,	694 53	
New Gloucester school fund, due April 23, 1889,	316 98	
Received from the town of Poland, for the year 1885,	21 12	
		$3,645 49

REPAIR OF SCHOOL-HOUSES.

Paid B. S. Small, for labor,	$10 00	
D. P. Smith, for labor,	7 42	
H. H. Hay & Son, for paint,	7 65	
Alonzo Stevens, for labor,	7 60	
		$32 67

TOWN-HOUSE FENCE.

Paid G. Mountfort, for labor,	$11 00	
S. H. Hackett, for labor,	12 24	
		$23 24

TOWN FARM.

Paid Dennis Edwards, agent,		$350 00

TOWN LIBRARY.

Paid Loring, Short & Harmon, for books,	$74 70	
Bridge & Smith, for printing catalogues,	14 00	
Helen A. Moseley, librarian,	39 25	
E. J. Mitchell, for postage and traveling expenses,	2 00	
Loring, Short & Harmon, for books,	47 38	
		$177 33

SCHOOL BOOKS.

Paid A. C. Stockin,	$25	65	
Stevens & Jones, for nine dictionaries,	74	75	
Clark, Maynard & Co.,	6	48	
Harrison Hume,	10	80	
Thompson, Brown & Co.,	8	50	
			$126 18

GEO. E. WHITMAN POST, G. A. R.

Paid for Memorial Day services,			$44 66

TOWN PAUPERS.

Paid Richard E. Verrill, for board and care of J. A. Verrill,	$81	00	
S. G. Norton, for supplies furnished Daniel Cobb,	11	68	
Dr. J. I. Sturgis, for medical attendance on wife of Joseph Verrill,	5	35	
W. H. True & Son, for supplies furnished Daniel Cobb,	2	75	
I. H. Keith, for supplies furnished Andrew J. Strout,	5	00	
			$105 78

Paupers Belonging to Other Towns.

Paid Dr. J. I. Sturgis, for medical attendance on child of Timothy Berry,	$8	00	
Dr. J. I. Sturgis, for medical attendance on wife of Jesse May,	6	00	
Dr. J. I. Sturgis, for medical attendance on wife of Joseph F. Strout,	5	00	
Dr. J. I. Sturgis, for medical attendance on family of Timothy Berry,	13	00	
Dr. J. I. Sturgis, for medical attendance on family of E. F. Field,	70	50	
I. H. Keith, for supplies furnished Mrs. Noah Ricker,	10	00	
J. W. True, amount paid out for wood for Mrs. Noah Ricker,		30	
Dr. S. A. Vosmus, for medical attendance on Mrs. Noah Ricker,	10	50	

Paid Mary Richards, for taking care of Mrs. Noah Ricker,	$17 00	
W. H. True & Son, for supplies furnished E. F. Field,	8 00	
Dr. J. I. Sturgis, for medical attendance on wife of Charles May,	10 00	
		$158 30

INMATES OF INSANE HOSPITAL.

Paid for board and clothing for Thomas J. Brackett,	$147 99	
for board and clothing for E. G. Titcomb,	145 92	
		$293 91

CEMETERIES.

Paid W. L. Shurtleff, for clearing up extension to cemetery, Upper Gloucester,		$25 26
S. C. Bickford, for labor in cemetery at the Pond,	$27 50	
Benjamin Davis, for work on fence at the Pond,	10 50	
T. M. Merrill, for labor in cemetery at the Pond,	14 87	
Jeremiah Edwards, for damage to grape vines while building cemetery fence at the Pond,	8 00	
Benjamin Brackett, for labor in cemetery at Pond,	29 00	
		$89 87
Paid J. A. Segars, for painting cemetery fence, Upper Gloucester,	$25 43	
C. A. Winslow, for work in cemetery, Lower Corner,	7 50	
Geo. Blake & Son, paint for cemeteries,	17 58	
T. M. Merrill, for shingles for Upper Gloucester hearse house,	3 00	
H. W. Johnson, for work in cemetery over the hill,	9 65	

Paid Geo. Blake & Son, for tools for cemetery at Upper Gloucester,	$1 13	
C. R. Atwood, for work in Webber cemetery,	3 00	
		$67 29

REPAIRS ON TOWN HOUSE.

Paid Geo. Blake & Son, for paint and oil,	$42 96	
Alonzo Stevens, for labor,	26 00	
Geo. L. Harmon, for labor,	40 37	
		$109 33

ABATEMENTS ON ASSESSMENTS.

1883.

Melville May, poll tax, not liable,		$2 00

1884.

Richard Larrabee, balance on poll tax,		$0 81

1885.

F. D. Kelsey, poll tax and personal estate,	$4 57	
Richard Larrabee, poll tax,	2 50	
		$7 07

1886.

Richard Larrabee, poll tax,	$2 50	
Eben Nevens, not liable,	2 50	
		$5 00

1887.

Jonah Jordan, personal estate,	$1 92	
Jacob Rowe heirs, over-valuation of personal estate,	4 40	
Charles R. Strout, poll tax,	2 50	
		$8 82

1888.

Arthur Cummings, poll tax, not liable,	$2 50	
John B. Bennett, over 70, poll tax,	2 50	
Everett L. Day, poll tax, not liable,	2 50	
Albert H. Dunn, poll tax, not liable,	2 50	

Nathaniel Eveleth, poll tax and personal estate, not liable,	$4 69	
James I. Holt, poll tax, not liable,	2 50	
Joseph P. Johnson, poll tax, not liable,	2 50	
Rensalear Jillson, poll tax and personal estate, not liable,	3 75	
William Leighton, personal estate,	31	
Charles P. Holmes, poll tax, not liable,	2 50	
Alvah Morse, poll tax, not liable,	2 50	
Geo. E. McCann, poll tax, not liable,	2 50	
Benjamin McCune, poll tax, residence unknown,	2 50	
Jacob Rowe heirs, over-valuation on personal estate,	5 00	
Royal B. Record, poll tax not liable,	2 50	
William H. Shailer, poll tax, not liable,	2 50	
James E. Sawyer, poll tax, not liable,	2 50	
Willis Snow, poll tax, not liable,	2 50	
Henry Verrill. poll tax,	2 50	
John W. Wilson, poll tax,	2 50	
Walter Watson, poll tax, not liable,	2 50	
Silas Cobb, poll tax, not liable,	2 50	
		$58 75

1889.

Ozias M. Lunt, poll tax, over 70,	$2 50	
Lydia and Eliza J. Jordan, over-valuation of personal property,	6 75	
		$9 25

CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

Paid N. P. Haskell, for wood, for town house,	$17 00	
J. L. H. Greeley, sawing wood for town house,	1 80	
Lewiston Journal, for printing town reports for 1888,	41 75	
T. F. Foss & Sons, for window-shades,	11 60	
Geo. W. Plummer, contingent expenses for the year 1888,	80	

Paid A. C. Shaw, for care of town house,	$28	25
C. N. Fogg, cash advanced to O. F. Moulton, for assignment of mortgage,	1	00
Herbert Fickett, wood for town house,	5	00
I. H. Keith, for supplies for town house,	3	12
B. W. Merrill, bounty for killing crows,	4	20
B. W. Merrill, State aid paid to Mrs. H. E. Grover and Otis G. Verrill,	84	00
J. M. Thompson, contingent expenses,	3	05
James M. Webb, expenses of hearing, at Cobb's Bridge,	29	50
B. W. Merrill, taxes and costs on land sold for taxes and bought by the town,	66	35
J. M. Thompson, for printing,	1	60
American Express Co., express on town books,		50
J. M. Thompson, for recording forty-nine births and deaths,	3	92
J. M. Thompson, for making deeds,	1	00
J. W. True, for contingent expenses,	3	17
J. W. True for postage and registered letters,	2	35
Mrs. Adaline Fogg and Hattie N. B. Snow, for school-house lot at Bear Brook,	75	00
I. H. Keith, glass for town house,		68
I. H. Keith, kerosene oil for town house,	2	68
A. C. Shaw, for labor and repairs on town house,	14	62
E. P. Smith, for sawing wood for town house,	1	00
James A. Segars, for making and putting up guide-board,	3	25
S. F. Hilton for attending twenty-one funerals with hearse,	63	00
Stevens & Jones, for books and stationery,	8	75

Paid W. H. Vinton, for legal services on hearing at Cobb's Bridge,	$20 00		
Clarence Hale for legal services,	10 00		
			$508 94
Paid Portland Savings Bank, town note,	$1,000 00		
Maria A. Gould, town note,	849 63		
Ephraim Hilton, town order,	400 00		
Portland Savings Bank, interest on town notes,	137 92		
Ephraim Hilton, interest on town order for 1888 and 1889,	38 35		
O. C. Nelson, interest on town order,	32 50		
			$2,967 34

PENNEY ROAD.

Paid Howard S. Bennett, for labor,	$11 25		
I. H. Keith, for bolts, iron, nails, etc.,	13 27		
Dennis Edwards, for use of cart,	2 00		
F. H. Merrill, for lumber,	10 83		
W. S. Williams, for labor,	19 50		
N. P. Haskell, for team,	104 00		
W. H. Eveleth, for labor,	16 50		
H. D. Penney, for labor,	2 61		
J. M. Thompson, for labor,	24 85		
W. E. Blake, for labor,	9 75		
L. C. Curtis, for labor,	22 50		
T. J. Greeley, for labor,	22 50		
			$259 56

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

1887.

Paid T. C. Wells, for public watering-tub,	$1 50		
B. D. Weymouth, for labor,	94		
F. W. Berry, for labor,	5 50		
Gibbs Z. Benson, for labor,	3 71		
Jabez True, for labor,	4 63		
			$16 28

1888.

Paid Nathaniel Rideout, for labor,	$6 69		
A. C. Chandler, for labor,	8 87		
J. G. Bennett, rent of land for storm fence,	10 00		

Paid E. P. Blake, for labor,	$1 72		
E. C. Hackett, for labor,	1 00		
H. M. Dunn, for labor,	50		
C. H. Nelson, for labor,	50		
J. P. Jordan, for labor,	3 62		
J. S. Snow, for labor,	7 24		
J. L. Davis, for labor,	1 47		
J. H. Day, for labor,	7 75		
E. W. Curtis, for labor,	1 43		
J. W. Humphrey, for labor,	75		
G. W. Plummer, for labor,	1 50		
A. L. Richards, for labor,	3 50		
United Society of Shakers, for labor,	23 49		
Elbridge True, for labor,	2 61		
H. H. Sawyer, for labor,	1 50		
C. M. Witham, for labor,	3 58		
F. P. Greeley, for labor,	44		
A. Buck, for labor,	11 10		
A. J. Haskell, for labor,	75		
A. F. Cole, for labor,	2 88		
T. C. Wells, for watering-tub,	1 50		
D. N. Jordan, for labor,	1 50		
C. H. N. Rowe, for labor,	1 50		
B. D. Weymouth, for labor,	31		
J. A. King, for labor,	2 22		
S. C. Bickford, for labor,	3 50		
J. H. Ward, for labor,	2 18		
S. W. Ayer, for labor,	4 02		
J. F. McCann, for labor,	1 06		
F. H. Morse, for labor,	10 50		
Wm. C. Eveleth, for labor,	3 96		
Jabez True, for labor,	3 25		
Mrs. A. G. Stevens, for storing road machine.	5 00		
			$143 39
1889.			
Road Machine,			$250 00
H. O. Blake, steel edges for road machine,	$4 00		
Dennis Edwards, for drag plank,	1 25		
I. H. Keith, for powder, tile, etc.,	43 69		

Paid J. W. Humphrey, for labor,	$1 00	
Chas. Brackett, for repairing road machine,	4 22	
S. W. Ayer, for labor,	4 60	
Geo. Blake & Son, for powder, fuse, etc.,	4 68	
Maine Central Railroad, for freight,	11 34	
Charles Berry, for labor,	3 75	
Timothy Berry, for labor,	1 95	
W. S. Snow, for labor,	3 00	
Joshua Snow, for labor,	1 25	
James Merrill, for labor,	75	
T. M. Merrill, for labor,	29 45	
F. H. Merrill, for lumber,	17 28	
S. M. Farnam, for labor,	17 11	
W. F. Ayer, for labor,	1 50	
T. C. Wells, water tub,	1 50	
G. W. Hatch, for labor,	75	
R. McIntire, for labor,	3 00	
Eben Snow, for labor,	1 50	
L. C. Berry, for labor,	11 25	
Charles Schillenger, for labor,	1 00	
Nathaniel Rideout, for labor,	5 58	
C. H. Nelson, for labor,	1 80	
J. L. Davis, for labor,	2 55	
Lewis Gower, for labor,	17 70	
J. H. Ward, for labor,	2 35	
N. P. Haskell, for team,	611 80	
W. S. Williams, for labor,	123 75	
W. E. Blake, for labor,	187 21	
J. M. Thompson, for labor,	132 08	
W. H. Eveleth, for labor,	117 75	
T. J. Greeley, for labor,	136 50	
L. C. Curtis, for labor,	108 85	
B. W. Merrill, for cash paid out for public watering-tubs,	24 00	
		$1,641 74
Total amount of receipts,		$10,374 11
Total amount of expenditures,	$10,082 91	
Balance in hands of Treasurer,	291 20	
		$10,374 11

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TOWN.

RESOURCES.

Balance in hands of Treasurer,	$291 20	
Amount due from the Collector,	4,752 80	
State school fund and mill tax for the year 1889,	684 73	
New Gloucester school fund due April 23, 1890,	266 98	
Due from the Town of Poland,	96 00	
Due from the Town of Casco,	65 05	
Due from the Town of Poland, for the tuition of scholars for 1886–7,	30 00	
Due from the Town of Oxford,	1 50	
Due from the Town of Gray,	51 80	
Due from the Town of Gray, for tuition of scholars of C. M. Lane,	27 27	
Due from the Town of Raymond,	16 00	
Due from New Gloucester Grange,	23 00	
Due from Geo. E. Whitman Post, for use of Town Hall,	41 00	
Due from Chandler Lodge, for use of Town Hall,	2 00	
Due from J. B. Hammond, for use of Town Hall,	2 00	
Due from H. E. Mosely, for fines and catalogues sold,	13 55	
Liquor and casks,	74 01	
Due from F. W. Winter, for balance due for timber,	57 65	
		$6,496 54

LIABILITIES.

Amount due the schools, February 27, 1890,	$1,046 66
Collector's fees for 1889,	185 78
Amount due the Town of Gray,	12 50
Town officers' bills (estimated),	350 00
Outstanding road bills (estimated),	150 00
Other outstanding bills (estimated),	50 00

Outstanding orders, O. C. Nelson,	$1,450 00	
Outstanding order, J. H. Jones,	1,200 00	
Outstanding order, Portland Savings Bank,	700 00	
Outstanding order, S. H. & A. C. Chandler,	75 00	
Due Portland Savings Bank, note,	1,000 00	
Due for interest on notes and orders,	110 00	
Balance in favor of Town,	166 60	
		$6,496 54

TOWN FARM ACCOUNT.

DENNIS EDWARDS, AGENT.

	Dr.	
To Agent's salary,	$350 00	
stock bought,	97 00	
supplies bought,	814 66	
		$1,261 66
	Cr.	
By product from the cows,	$600 21	
sweet corn sold,	88 08	
pork sold,	54 20	
stock sold,	122 00	
other sales from the farm,	107 59	
boarding Agent's colt,	53 00	
cash received for labor off the farm,	42 50	
stock more than last year,	17 00	
produce more than last year,	25 00	
balance against the farm,	152 08	
		$1,261 66

AMOUNT OF STOCK AND SUPPLIES ON THE FARM.

Two horses, 11 cows, 1 yearling heifer, 1 bull, 3 shoats, 60 hens, 25 tons hay, 1 ton straw, 300 pounds ground feed, 5½ bushels beans, 25 bushels potatoes, 65 bushels oats, 375 pounds pork, 1 barrel vinegar, 1 barrel cider, ⅓ barrel soap, 1⅓ barrels flour, 12 pounds butter, 80 pounds lard, 3 pounds tea, 2½ pounds coffee, 11 pounds sugar, 2 pounds soda, 2 pounds raisins, 1 box salt, 30 cords of fitted wood, 20 tons ice.

Dennis Edwards, Agent on the Farm, this being his third year. Although the receipts are not as large as the two previous years, owing to losing the sale of a large portion of his sweet

corn, and his potato crop, same as his neighbors, was almost a total failure, notwithstanding he exercised as much care and judgment in the management of his farming operations as heretofore. He has good taste in keeping his barn clean and in good order, which is certainly advantageous to a herd of cows. All the stock is looking finely, showing good and gentle care.

Mrs. Edwards is too worthy to be unnoticed. As a housekeeper she cannot be surpassed. The home of the unfortunate is always kept clean and wholesome in all of its departments, and she is fully in the faith that cleanliness is next to godliness, and furthermore she has acquired that important feature that leads to fortune—economy. There are only two inmates on the farm, both having the appearance of good care and kind treatment. Mr. and Mrs. Edwards have been hired to take charge of the farm for another year.

GENERAL REMARKS.

James A. Verrill is still cared for by his mother at a cost of $1.50 per week.

There was a bill against the Town of Starks for taking care of Charlotte Hurd, while sick at the home of Ozias M. Lunt, which that town refused to pay, therefore suit was brought to recover the same which was done at an expense of $1.25.

There was also a bill against the Town of Casco for the pauper expenses of Humphrey Edwards, which we were obliged to sue for. We have got an execution against the town, but it is still unsettled.

Extensive and much-needed repairs have been done to the fence at the cemetery at the Pond. The old walls having been undermined and tumbling into the garden of Jeremiah Edwards, it was necessary to take it all out and lay a bank wall for some eight rods, and on one side it was rebuilt and a cap stone put on making a neat and substantial fence. There was quite an amount of grading necessary in order to put the yard in satisfactory condition,—all of which was done at an expense of $89.87.

The extension of the Upper Corner yard was run out and deeded to the town by Mr. S. H. Chandler for the sum of $75.00, taking 1½ acres. It was not deemed for the best in-

terest of the town to clear the land until winter, as the lumber, which was quite an object, could not be removed at good advantage on wheels. The lumber has been sold to F. W. Winter for $117.65, and has been removed. Part of the land has been cleared, and it is all ready to be cleared and fenced the coming season. There is now available for that purpose about $190 of the original appropriation, and the amount received for the lumber, if the town so directs.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. TRUE,
J. M. THOMPSON,
T. M. MERRILL,

Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of the Poor, etc.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

1889.	To received from:	Dr.
Mar. 16.	W. G. Frank, for lot in cemetery,	$10 00
	Town of Scarboro, pauper expenses of Elizabeth Dodd,	59 50
April 2.	City of Portland, pauper expenses of David Verrill,	10 50
April 16.	John Vance, proportion of school money from the Town of Poland for the year 1885,	21 12
May 7.	Liquor casks sold,	1 00
	State school fund and mill tax for the year 1888,	694 53
	State Treasurer, railroad and telegraph tax for the year 1888,	448 31
June 14.	Stevens School, by the hand of O. C. Nelson, for the purpose of the public library,	5 00
	State Treasurer, proportion of European & North American Railroad stock, due town for the years 1884, 1885, and 1886, in accordance with Chapter 137, Revised Statutes of 1889,	103 35
June 22.	By the hand of J. W. True, from the Town of Poland, pauper expenses,	62 00
July 17.	Harrison Edwards, on peddler's license No. 24,	6 00
July 24.	O. L. Merrill, of Gray, peddler's license No. 115,	6 00
	J. H. Jones, money loaned the town,	1,200 00
Nov. 21.	Horatio Sawyer, of Gray, for license No. 247, to peddle,	6 00
Dec. 2.	Joseph Strout, by the hand of J. M. Thompson, for lot in the cemetery near the Upper Corner, so called,	6 00
Dec. 17.	B. W. Merrill, guardian of T. J. Brackett,	141 00

1890.			
Jan. 23.	C. N. Fogg, treasurer of school fund, interest due April 23, 1889,	$316 98	
Feb. 15.	By the hand of J. W. True, from the Town of Starks, pauper expenses of Charlotte Hurd,	21 00	
	B. W. Merrill, treasurer for 1888, to balance account,	240 45	
	Collector, to balance account for 1888,	1,646 29	
Feb. 19.	By the hand of J. W. True, from New Gloucester Grange, No. 28,	20 00	
	Railroad and telegraph tax for the year 1889,	514 46	
	State aid for the year 1889,	84 00	
	Bounty paid by State for crows killed for 1889,	4 20	
Feb. 22.	Use of Town Hall, by hand of J. M. Thompson,	7 50	
	Dennis Edwards, Town Farm Agent,	155 92	
	S. F. Hilton, for use of hearse,	2 00	
	Liquor casks sold,	1 00	
Feb. 25.	C. E. Libby, for land sold by the Selectmen,	20 00	
	F. W. Winter, for timber on cemetery lot, Upper Gloucester,	60 00	
	Received of Collector, for the year 1889,	4,500 00	
			$10,374 11

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By town orders taken up,	$10,082 91	
Cash in the treasury,	291 20	
		$10,374 11

B. W. MERRILL, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF TREASURER OF NEW GLOUCESTER SCHOOL FUND.

From April 23, 1889, to April 23, 1890.

Amount of capital secured by first mortgage on real estate,	$2,816 30	
Amount of bank stock,	1,537 50	
Temporary loan,	200 00	
		$4,553 80
Amount of interest collected which includes the amount not available in 1889,	$274 98	
Amount of interest collected, due in 1888,	42 00	
		$316 98
Paid Town Treasurer,		$316 98

Interest paid on all notes to April 23, 1889.

CHARLES N. FOGG, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF TRUSTEE OF EZRA TOBIE FUND.

Amount received from fund,		$30 00
Amount paid to paupers on the Town Farm,	$5 00	
Amount paid to the poor of the town not on the farm,	15 00	
Amount paid Mrs. Lizzie M. Harmon of Calais,	10 00	
		$30 00

S. H. CHANDLER, *Trustee.*

New Gloucester, February 26, 1890.

REPORT OF LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

RESOURCES.

Appropriation by the town,	$161 00	
Fines collected and catalogues sold,	13 55	
Received from Stevens School,	5 00	
Balance against the library,	43	
		$179 98

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Loring, Short & Harmon, for books,	$122 08	
Bridge & Smith, for catalogues,	14 00	
H. E. Moseley, for services as librarian,	39 00	
for car fare, freight, and incidental expenses,	2 00	
H. E. Moseley, for getting authors' names,	2 00	
Contingent expenses,	90	
		$179 98

Number of volumes belonging to the library at the beginning of the present year,	683
Number of books purchased the present year,	116
Presented by W. S. Nevens,	8
Whole number,	807

We have purchased such books as seemed to be in popular demand, carefully avoiding, as far as possible, all books of an immoral or questionable tone. The books were bought with a discount of $33\frac{1}{3}$ per cent., or $\frac{1}{3}$ off. By dealing directly with some large publishing firm, a larger discount could probably be secured.

E. J. MITCHELL,

Member of the Library Committee.

REPORT OF SCHOOL SUPERVISOR.

To the Citizens of New Gloucester:

The Supervisor of Schools begs leave to submit the following annual report:

Whole number of children in town between the ages of 4 and 21 years, on the first day of April, 1890,	380
Whole number attending Summer Schools,	197
Average number attending Summer Schools,	168
Whole number attending Fall Schools,	184
Average number attending Fall Schools,	156
Whole number attending Winter Schools,	200
Average number attending Winter Schools,	145

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RESOURCES.

Amount due the schools February 26, 1889,	$612 86
Amount voted by the town for schools,	2,000 00
Amount received from State school fund and mill tax,	694 53
Amount received from New Gloucester school fund,	316 98
Amount received from Town of Gray for tuition,	27 27
Amount received from Town of Poland for tuition,	51 12
Amount due from other pupils (estimated),	7 00
	$3,709 76

EXPENDITURES.

Paid for schools of previous year, 1888,	$670 26	
for wood and coal for 1888 (underestimated),	14 75	
Paid teachers' wages for Summer Schools,	700 20	
teachers' wages for Fall Schools,	540 00	
teachers' wages for Winter Schools,	1,047 60	
for transporting pupils to other districts,	65 00	
for pupils' tuition to other towns,	81 10	
for care of school-houses,	88 25	
for cleaning school-houses,	11 65	
for school supplies,	27 28	
for contingent expenses,	8 40	

Paid for grading yard in District No. 12,	$3 00	
for two Iverson, Blakeman & Co.'s General School Charts,	30 00	
Due for expenses of graduation and printing (estimated),	15 00	
Due for wood and coal for 1890 (estimated),	175 00	
		$3,477 49
Balance unexpended,		$232 27

TABULAR REPORT.

SUMMER TERM.

No. of School.	NAME OF TEACHER.	Whole No. pupils registered.	Average No. in attendance.	Length of Term in weeks.	Wages of teacher exclusive of board.	Price of board per week.	Amount paid teacher including board.
1.	—Jillie H. Mayhew,	30	26	10	$7 50	$3 00	$105 00
2.	—Mary E. Jordan,	21	15	10	5 00	2 00	70 00
3.	—Grace L. Cowan,	17	16	10	5 50	2 50	80 00
4.	—Susie E. Day,	9	7	10	4 00	2 00	60 00
5.	—Mary L. Bickford,	24	20	10	5 00	2 00	70 00
6.	—Mary C. Haskell,	31	26	10	4 50	2 50	70 00
7.	—Julia A. Curtis,	35	33	10	5 00	2 00	70 00
8.	—Edith True,	14	12	10	4 50	2 50	70 00
9.	—Ada S. Cummings,	10	8	9 1-5	3 50	2 50	55 20
11.	—(No Summer Term.)						
12.	—Hattie E. True,	6	5	10	3 00	2 00	50 00
13.	—(No Summer Term.)						
							$700 20

FALL TERM.

1.	—Emma J. Robinson,	36	30	8	$5 50	$3 00	$68 00
2.	—Mary E. Jordan,	22	18	8	5 00	2 00	56 00
3.	—Grace L. Cowan,	16	14	8	5 50	2 50	64 00
4.	—Susie E. Day,	11	8	8	4 50	2 00	52 00
5.	—Julia A. Curtis,	23	19	8	5 00	2 00	56 00
6.	Mary C. Haskell,	32	30	4 3-5	4 00	3 00	32 20
	Georgia E. Murray,	32	30	3 2-5	4 00	3 00	23 80
7.	—Edith True,	22	17	8	5 00	2 00	56 00
8.	—Orie R. Fogg,	14	13	8	4 00	2 50	52 00
9.	—(No Fall Term.)						
11.	— " " "						
12.	—Grace E. Curtis,	2	2	8	3 00	2 00	40 00
13.	—Gertrude B. Davis,	6	5	8	3 00	2 00	40 00
							$540 00

WINTER TERM.

No. of School.	NAME OF TEACHER.	Whole No. of pupils registered.	Average No. in attendance.	Length of Term in weeks.	Wages of teacher per week exclusive of board.	Wages of teacher per month exclusive of board.	Price of board per week.	Amount paid teacher including board.
1.	—Emma J. Robinson,	34	28	12	$6 00		$3 00	$108 00
2.	—Georgia E. Murray,	20	14	12	5 25		2 75	96 00
3.	—Grace L. Cowan,	17	13	12	6 50		2 50	108 00
4.	—Edith True,	8	7	12	4 50		2 00	78 00
5.	—Delia Griffin,	19	15	12	5 00		2 00	84 00
6.	E. L. Baker,	33	21	6		$24 00	3 00	54 00
	Katie H. Libbey,	20	14	6	5 50		2 50	48 00
7.	—Mary C. Jordan,	16	13	12	4 50		2 50	84 00
8.	—Orie R. Fogg,	15	13	12	4 75		2 25	84 00
9.	—Ada R. Cummings,	17	10	12	4 50		2 50	84 00
11.	Chas. P. Holmes,	8	5	7 3-5		14 00	2 50	45 60
	Sara M. True,	3	3	4	3 50		2 50	24 00
12.	—Grace E. Curtis,	3	3	12	4 50		2 00	78 00
13.	—Hattie E. Woodbury,	10	7	12	4 00		2 00	72 00
								$1047 60

GENERAL REMARKS.

The past year has been one of quite general prosperity to our schools, although, from various causes, the work done in some schools has not been all that could be desired. In two instances the teachers were obliged to leave their schools on account of sickness in their homes, and in another a change was found to be necessary to insure the success of the school. These changes caused a slight interruption to the term's work. Sickness among children has been much more prevalent than usual during the past winter, seriously interfering with the attendance. The Shaker School has been unfortunate in having a most prosperous Winter Term cut short by the illness of its teacher. But it is thought the amount and character of the work done will, on the whole, compare favorably with that of preceding years.

In the selection of teachers, those residing in the town have been given the preference to others with the same qualifications. But the number of these possessing the training and experience necessary to teach in our larger schools is limited. Consequently a few have been employed in these schools who, by their long experience and success in teaching, are able to command higher than the average wages.

The course of study has been followed as closely as was practicable, especially with those scholars who will be likely to complete it. But some who were attending school for perhaps the last term, were allowed to take studies which might be completed, instead of taking those which would require several terms' work.

The following pupils passed the examination and graduated with appropriate exercises in the Congregational Church, February 21st: Cecil L. Blake, Sadie L. Davis, Florence S. Farnum, Ethel L. Jordan, and Myra Ella McCann. A somewhat larger class may be qualified to graduate next year.

The repairs for the past year have been mostly of a general character. The school-houses at Bald Hill and Bear Brook were painted, also the blackboards in several districts. A new platform has been built at Gloucester Hill, but this house needs some further repairs about the doors and entries.

It is a noticeable fact that among the older scholars the girls are, as a rule, more advanced in their studies than the boys. The reason for this is evidently the non-attendance of the latter during the Summer and Fall Terms, when their help is so often required at home. For the benefit of these boys, two weeks were taken from the Fall and added to the Winter Term, as it is believed a term's work is much more valuable to one who has attained the age of fifteen years or more than at an earlier period of life.

The need of something to take the place of the Warren maps, which was urged last year, is still pressing. Two general school charts, published by Iverson, Blakeman & Co., have been purchased and are valuable additions to the schools in which they were placed. These charts devote considerable space to the first lessons in Reading and Spelling, and to Phonics, Drawing, History, Geography, Physics, Physiology, and Civil Government. The outline maps and physiological plates are especially excellent. The charts are highly recommended for the common schools by the State Superintendent. It is thought that the usual appropriation for the support of schools will be sufficient to place them in the remaining districts, besides maintaining the length and good standing of the schools. Some new school books will be needed, and it is recommended that fifty dollars be raised for that purpose.

In accordance with a vote of the town, a Webster's Unabridged Dictionary has been placed in every school, and is highly prized by both teachers and pupils.

Two districts, Nos. 8 and 1, have displayed a commendable public spirit by raising money and purchasing handsome flags for their school-houses.

In closing, I wish to sincerely thank the teachers, pupils, and others, with whom I have had relations in connection with school work, for the uniform courtesy and consideration which I have received at their hands.

JOSEPH S. TRUE,

Supervisor of Schools.

Warrant for Annual Town Meeting.

To BENJAMIN W. MERRILL, a Constable of the town of New Gloucester, in the County of Cumberland, GREETING:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of New Gloucester, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the Town House in said town, on the tenth day of March, A.D. 1890, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, viz.:

ARTICLE 1st.

To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ARTICLE 2d.

To choose a clerk for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 3d.

To receive and allow accounts.

ARTICLE 4th.

To hear and act on reports.

ARTICLE 5th.

To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 6th.

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for contingent expenses. $250.

ARTICLE 7th.

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the support of schools. $2000.

ARTICLE 8th.

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the repair of roads and bridges. $2000

ARTICLE 9th.

To see in what manner the sum of money voted for the repair of roads and bridges shall be raised.

ARTICLE 10th.

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to keep the school property in repair.

ARTICLE 11th.

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to keep the cemeteries in repair.

ARTICLE 12th.

To see if the town will vote to raise by assessment $1,000, to pay a note due the Portland Savings Bank, December 17, 1890, also $200 to pay the interest on outstanding notes and orders.

ARTICLE 13th.

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to purchase school books and charts for the several schools.

ARTICLE 14th.

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the support of the Public Library.

ARTICLE 15th.

To see what action the town will take in regard to the management and government of the Public Library.

ARTICLE 16th.

To see how much money the town will vote to raise for defraying the expense of the observance of Memorial Day.

ARTICLE 17th.

To see if the town will vote to exempt the property of the "Stevens School," so called, from taxation.

ARTICLE 18th.

To see if the town will vote to raise the highway between the mill of W. Jordan & Co. and the mill of F. W. Winter, and how much money you will vote to raise for the same.

ARTICLE 19th.

To see if the town will vote to reimburse Dennis Edwards for his part of the expense incurred in the assault and battery suit between him and Ransalear Jillison.

ARTICLE 20th.

To see if the town will vote to accept the list of jurors as revised.

The Selectmen give notice that they will be in session for the purpose of revising and correcting the list of voters at the Town House, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, on the day of said meeting.

Given under our hands at New Gloucester this twenty-eighth day of February, A.D. 1890.

J. W. TRUE,
J. M. THOMPSON,
T. M. MERRILL,

Selectmen of New Gloucester.